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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED: EU PARTICIPATION AT UNESCO
NEGOTIATIONS ON CULTURAL DIVERSITY

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1. PolOff delivered reftel points via Diplomatic Note on August 14 to Dack Martinez of the MFA's Office of Special Organizations. In a meeting on April 18, Martinez told PolOff that Ecuador, along with GRULAC, would oppose as improper the EU member states proposal to grant European Community enhanced participation rights in the negotiations on the draft Cultural Diversity Convention. Martinez said the GOE believes only individual countries should be allowed to participate.

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